



This report, updated monthly, is designed to provide you with a summary of active NHTSA Defect Investigations. The investigations listed below are grouped according to type of investigation ([Preliminary Evaluation](#), [Engineering Analysis](#), [Recall Query](#), and [Defect/Recall Petition](#)) and identify the products under investigation, the alleged problem, and the investigation status. For up-to-date details on specific investigations, you can enter its Action # in the Quick Search box at: <http://www-odi.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/problems/defect/defectsearch.cfm>

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MONTHLY DEFECT INVESTIGATION REPORT ENGINEERING ANALYSIS

Action#	MMY	Subject	Date Opened	Date Closed
EA06-020	2004-2005 TOYOTA SIENNA WITH POWER REAR DOOR	UNEXPECTED CLOSING OF POWER LIFTGATE	01-DEC-2006	
EA07-003	2006-2007 DODGE DURANGO	SIDE CURTAIN AIR BAG FAILURE	14-FEB-2007	
EA07-005	2005-2007 NISSAN 350Z	WHEEL FAILURE	03-APR-2007	
EA07-007	2006-2007 JEEP COMMANDER	ENGINE STALL	27-APR-2007	
EA07-008	1999-2002 BUICK, OLDSMOBILE, AND PONTIAC W/ SUPERCHARGED V6	ENGINE COMPARTMENT FIRE	12-JUN-2007	
EA07-009	2002-2003 TRAILBLAZER, EXT, GMC ENVOY, XL, XUV	FUEL PUMP MODULE LEAKS GASOLINE	10-JUL-2007	
EA07-011	MY 2002 - 2003 MINI COOPER	ENGINE COMPARTMENT FIRE	14-AUG-2007	
EA07-012	MY 2003- 2005 LAND ROVER, RANGE ROVER	FRONT DIFFERENTIAL/ DRIVESHAFT FAILURE	14-AUG-2007	
EA07-013	MY 2002 C/K 2500 SUBURBAN/YUKON/SILVERADO/SIERRA/ AVALANCHE	TRAILER HITCH RECEIVER FAILURE	14-SEP-2007	

EA07-014	2000-2003 VOLKSWAGEN PASSAT	PASSENGER/ENGINE COMPARTMENT FIRES	28-SEP-2007	
EA07-015	2003 CHEVROLET CAVALIER	ENGINE STALLING - FUEL PUMP FAILURE	01-NOV-2007	
EA07-016	2000-2005 WORKHORSE CHASSIS BUILT WITH BOSH BRAKE CALIPERS	OVERHEATED BRAKE CALIPERS	16-NOV-2007	
EA07-017	2004-2006 CADILLAC CTS-V	REAR DRIVETRAIN COMPONENT FAILURE	07-DEC-2007	
EA07-018	2003 LAND ROVER FREELANDER	FUEL PUMP FAILURE - STALL	07-DEC-2007	
EA07-019	2005-2007 GENERAL MOTORS MINIVANS	POWER SLIDING DOOR OPENING	11-DEC-2007	
EA08-001	2004 - 2006 BMW 5, 7, X3 & Z4 AND 2006 3, 6 & X5 VEHICLES	BMW AIRBAG LIGHT ILLUMINATION	04-JAN-2008	
EA08-002	2001- 04 WINNEBAGO RIALTA,VISTA, SUNSTAR, 2001-03 EUROVAN	ENGINE COOLING FAN BLADE FRACTURE	04-JAN-2008	
EA08-003	SEVAS S-10 AFTERMARKET WHEELS	SEVAS S-10 AFTERMARKET WHEELS	23-JAN-2008	

MONTHLY DEFECT INVESTIGATION REPORT PRELIMINARY EVALUATIONS				
Action#	MMY	Subject	Date Opened	Date Closed
PE07-045	2005 AND 2006 BMW 5 SERIES, 7 SERIES AND X3 VEHICLES	BMW AIRBAG LIGHT ILLUMINATION	04-SEP-2007	04-JAN-2008
PE07-048	SEVAS S-10 AFTERMARKET WHEELS	WHEEL FAILURE	21-SEP-2007	23-JAN-2008
PE07-049	2003-2004 PONTIAC VIBE	SIDE FRONT WINDOW SHATTERS	27-SEP-2007	
PE07-051	2004-2005 CHEVROLET AVEO	STUCK THROTTLE VALVE	19-OCT-2007	
PE07-052	2007 CHRYSLER PACIFICA	ENGINE COMPARTMENT FIRE	19-OCT-2007	
PE07-053	1998-2003 NEW FLYER 40/60 FOOT ARTICULATED BUSES	INTERIOR FIRES	29-OCT-2007	
PE07-054	2003-2008 C2 THOMAS BUILT BUSES	EMERGENCY DOOR HANDLE FAILURE	09-NOV-2007	
PE07-055	1998 - 1999 MODEL YEAR FLEETWOOD BOUNDER	GASOLINE FUEL LINE LEAK	14-NOV-2007	
PE07-056	2006 HYOSUNG GV650 MOTORCYCLES	FUEL LEAK	14-NOV-2007	
PE07-057	2005-2007 F-250 & F-350 SUPER DUTY 4X4 VEHICLES	VIOLENT FRONT END OSCILLATION	15-NOV-2007	
PE07-058	2005 FORD FIVE HUNDRED AND FREESTYLE	INSTRUMENT CLUSTER FAILURE	16-NOV-2007	

PE07-059	2001-3 APRILIA SCARABEO MOTORSCOOTERS	MOTORCYCLE STALLING	27-NOV-2007	
PE07-060	2004 ACURA TL	WINDSHIELD WIPER MOTOR FAILURE	29-NOV-2007	
PE07-061	2005 MODEL YEAR NEWMAR MOTOR HOMES	LIFT ASSISTED CARGO DOORS	30-NOV-2007	
PE07-062	2002 AND 2003 JEEP LIBERTY 4X4	UPPER BALL JOINT SEPARATION	17-DEC-2007	
PE08-001	2005 FORD F-150 EQUIPPED WITH 5.4L V8 ENGINE	LOSS OF BRAKE POWER ASSIST	08-JAN-2008	
PE08-002	2002 MERCEDES ML500/ML55 AMG WITH V-8 ENGINE	BRAKE LINE RUPTURE	10-JAN-2008	
PE08-003	2007 C2045 VAN HOOL BUSES	ALTERNATOR B+ CABLE RETENTION	23-JAN-2008	
PE08-004	2004-2005 NISSAN ARMADA AND QUEST	SIDE AIR BAG NON-DEPLOYMENT	25-JAN-2008	
PE08-005	2006-2007 SAAB 9-3 AERO EQUIPPED WITH 2.8L V6 TURBO ENGINE	LOSS OF BRAKE POWER ASSIST	28-JAN-2008	
PE08-006	2006 MITSUBISHI ENDEAVOR	IGNITION-PARK INTERLOCK	29-JAN-2008	
PE08-007	MY 2006 LAMBOURGHINI GALLARDO AND GALLARDO SPYDER	ENGINE COMPARTMENT FIRE	29-JAN-2008	
PE08-008	2002-2003 VOLKSWAGEN PASSAT 4MOTION (AWD)	FUEL TANK LEAK	31-JAN-2008	

MONTHLY DEFECT INVESTIGATION REPORT RECALL QUERY

Action#	MMY	Subject	Date Opened	Date Closed
RQ07-002	2002 WINNEBAGO RIALTA,VISTA	ENGINE COOLING FAN BLADE FRACTURE	05-SEP-07	04-JAN-08
RQ07-003	2000-2007 MY ACTERRA & 2002-2007 MY M2 BUSINESS CLASS	FRONT WHEEL SEPARATIONS	05-DEC-07	

MONTHLY DEFECT INVESTIGATION REPORT PETITIONS

Action#	MMY	Subject	Date Opened	Date Closed
DP08-001	MY 2006 AND 2007 TOYOTA TACOMA PICKUP TRUCKS	SUDDEN AND UNCONTROLLED ACCELERATION	31-JAN-2008	

Preliminary Evaluation (PE)

Initial phase of a NHTSA investigation, a PE is prompted after a review of consumer complaints and/or manufacturer service bulletins suggest a safety defect may exist. The results of a PE determine whether the investigation will be upgraded to an Engineering Analysis or closed. Most PEs are resolved within four months.

Engineering Analysis (EA)

Second and final phase of a NHTSA investigation, an EA is undertaken if data from a PE indicate further examination of a potential safety defect is warranted. The results of an EA determine whether a safety recall should be initiated or the investigation should be closed. Most EAs are resolved within one year.

Recall Query (RQ)

NHTSA monitors recalls to ensure that the scope, completion rate, and remedy are adequate. If recall adequacy comes into question, an RQ is opened to determine if the scope of the recall should be expanded or an adjustment in existing remedies is required.

Defect or Recall Petition (DP or RP)

NHTSA may be petitioned to investigate an alleged safety defect or whether a manufacturer has successfully carried out the requirements of a recall. If the petition is granted, NHTSA opens an appropriate investigation. If the petition is denied, the reasons for denial are published in the Federal Register.

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